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SUBJ: GENERALIZED SCHEME OF PREFERENCES: HONG KONG COMMONWEALTH
PREFERENCE TAX

REF: A. HONG KONG 3971; B. HONG KONG 4095; C. HONG KONG 4759;
D. SINGAPORE 2430

1. WE POINTED OUT PROBLEM FOR COMMONWEALTH SIBUSIARIES OF US
AUTOMAKERS IN REFTELS A (BEING REPEATED TO SINGAPORE)
AND B. REFTEL C CONVEYED TEXT OF NOTE
IN WHICH HKG UNDERTOOK TO ELIMINATE ALL TAX OR DUTY PREFERENCES
IN FAVOR OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES BY JAN 1, 1976 IF HONG KONG
INCLUDED IN US G.S.P.

2. WE HAVE NO FIRM INDICATION AS YET WHETHER HKG DECISION WILL BE TO
PUSH ALL DUTIES AND TAXES UP TO NON-COMMONWEALTH LEVEL OR DOWN
TO COMMONWEALTH LEVEL. OUR BETTING IS ON FORMER BECAUSE OF
REVENUE EFFECT AND HKG'S DESIRE TO REDUCE NUMBER OF CARS ON THE
ROAD. THUS, G.M. MANAGER'S INFORMATION PROBABLY CORRECT, BUT CANNOT
BE CONFIRMED.
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